



Bendigo Harness Racing Club

TRACK RULES 2018-2019

GENERAL RULES

- All persons using the Complex must comply with the following requirements:
 - Must hold an appropriate HRV License.
 - Wearing of correctly fastened and approved skullcaps is compulsory.
 - Approved Safety Vests must be worn at all times in accordance with HRV Rules.
 - Enclosed shoes must be worn whenever working with horses.
 - No mobile phones are to be used whilst in control of horses.
 - Reflective Vests must be worn if working at dawn or dusk.
 - All horses being driven on tracks must have a suitable spotter in place at all times.
- All Joggers entering the Complex must have suitable reflectors and/or lighting attached.
- Horses floated to the Complex must be unloaded in the Float Park Area and no horses are to be tied to fences or to horse floats.
- If any track gates are closed, gates **MUST NOT**, in any circumstances, be opened and the facilities accessed by horses.
- The BHRC reserves the right to close tracks at any times. Wherever possible, notice will be given to trainers via SMS messaging.
- No litter to be left in any area and it is an expectation that trainers will clean up manure from their horses when using the stable areas.

1. FACILITY FEES AND USAGE.

- All users of the Complex must pay the Annual Fee as set by the Bendigo Harness Racing Club.
- **THE BHRC RESERVES THE RIGHT TO REFUSE USE OF THE COMPLEX TO ANY PERSON DUE TO THE NON-COMPLIANCE WITH TRACK RULES, NON-SUBMISSION OF FORMS OR NON-PAYMENT OF FEES. NON-PAYMENT OR NON-COMPLIANCE WILL ALSO BE REPORTED TO HRV STEWARDS FOR FURTHER ACTION.**

2. ACCESS TO COMPLEX

Hours.

- **THE TRACKS/COMPLEX MAY ONLY BE USED DURING DAYLIGHT HOURS, OR DURING THOSE TIMES WHEN THE SUPPLEMENTARY LIGHTING ON THE GRANDSTAND IS IN OPERATION.**

Access.

- Trainers **MUST** use the designated crossing points to access jog tracks and race tracks. As such, walking across the tracks at random is prohibited.

Closed.

- All access gates to the Race Track will be closed/locked in the evening before Race Meetings and reopened at 6.00AM on Race Day.

3. MAIN TRACK (RACE TRACK)

Closed.

- Track Maintenance may be conducted from 12 noon till completed on all days (when required). No horses will be allowed on track until maintenance is completed.
- Track will be closed at 12 noon on the day **BEFORE** a race meeting, as per HRV direction.
- Track will be closed at 12 noon on weekday Trial Days.
- Track will be closed 12 noon on Saturday before Sunday Morning Trials.

Rules.

- Track to be used for **FAST WORK ONLY**.
 - All horses to work outside markers caps.
 - Any marker caps turned over are to be reinstated.
 - Caps are generally left off track day after race meetings.
 - Galloping as a pacemaker permitted (no individual galloping). **NOTE: TRIAL BASIS.**

Prohibited.

- Individual galloping, jogging, warming up or walking.
- Any carts with tyres other than standard sulky tyres.

4. SECOND TRACK (MIDDLE TRACK)

Closed.

- Track Maintenance may be conducted from 12 noon till completed on all days (when required). No horses will be allowed on track until maintenance is completed.
- 9.00AM on Day Race Meetings and 12 noon on Twilight/Night Race Meetings.
- 7.30AM on Sunday Trial Days and 4.00pm on Monday Trial Nights.

Rules.

- Galloping is permitted on this track only. Drivers must advise other drivers of their intention to gallop their horses.
- Horses galloping or conducting fast work take preference over horses jogging.

Prohibited.

- Horses tied to side of carts/sulkies.
- Leading of horses.

5. THIRD TRACK (INNER TRACK)

Closed.

- Track Maintenance may be conducted from 12 noon till completed on all days (when required). No horses will be allowed on track until maintenance is completed.
- 9.00AM on Day Meetings and 12 noon on Twilight/Night Race Meetings.
- 7.30AM on Sunday Trial Days and 4.00pm on Monday Trial Nights.

Rules.

- Trainers leading a horse MUST use this track only.
- Only one horse is permitted to be led.
- Slow cantering is permitted on this track.

Prohibited.

- Galloping or fast work is prohibited on this track.

6. HAROLD PARK (MAIN CARPARK TRACK)

Closed.

- Two (2) hours prior to the start of Greyhound Race Meetings.

Rules.

- Horses are permitted to travel in both a clockwise and anti-clockwise direction.

Prohibited.

- Galloping or fast work is prohibited on this track.
- No leading of horses on this track under any circumstances.
- Jogging in groups.

7. RACE DAY STALLS

Closed.

- From 12 noon on Day, Twilight and Night Race Meetings.

Rules.

- Stalls to be used whilst training are Stalls 1-46 only.
- Trainers must clean stalls of all manure and rubbish as they leave.